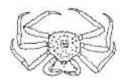
## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## COMMERCIAL GOLDEN KING CRAB ANNOUNCEMENT INSEASON REPORTING CHANGE

Juneau . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (department) announced today that the commercial golden king crab fishery mandatory inseason reporting requirements are changing from daily to three times weekly on each Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday. This change will take effect at 12:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, April 18, 2012**.

In addition to the reporting requirements in 5 AAC 39.130 and 5 AAC 34.075, the department requires an owner or operator of a vessel registered to fish in the commercial golden king crab fishery in Registration Area A to report catch information [5 AAC 34.143]. Inseason reporting is required **three times weekly on each Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday for the remainder of the season.** A dedicated phone line, (907) 465-2000 has been established for the reporting of crab logbook data. Multiple calls can be handled simultaneously and message storage is unlimited. Fishermen are also requested to phone in when they change fishing areas or when discontinuing fishing for the season.

The emergency order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1C0712.

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